

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Stanley Zhong, et al. (Pro Se),

Plaintiffs,

v.

**University of Washington Board of
Regents**

Defendant.

Case No. 2:25-cv-00348

Assigned to: The Honorable S. Kate Vaughan

MOTION TO DROP PLAINTIFF SWORD (Students Who Oppose Racial Discrimination)
WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Plaintiff Nan Zhong, proceeding pro se, hereby moves this Honorable Court, pursuant to Rule 21 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, to drop Plaintiff SWORD (Students Who Oppose Racial Discrimination) from this action without prejudice.

In support of this motion, the undersigned states as follows:

1. This action was commenced on Feb 21, 2025 by Plaintiffs Stanley Zhong, Nan Zhong and SWORD against Defendant University of Washington Board of Regents.
2. Plaintiff SWORD is a voluntary membership organization focused on stopping racial discrimination in college admissions through litigations. As such, it requires legal representation to be a plaintiff.

3. Despite diligent efforts, SWORD and the remaining Plaintiffs have been unable to secure legal counsel willing and able to represent the specific interests of Plaintiff SWORD in this litigation.
4. Without legal representation, Plaintiff SWORD cannot effectively participate in this litigation or prosecute its claims.
5. Continued inclusion of SWORD as a plaintiff without representation is impractical and potentially prejudicial to the orderly administration of this case.
6. The remaining Plaintiffs intend to continue prosecuting their own claims against the Defendant.
7. Dropping Plaintiff SWORD without prejudice is appropriate under these circumstances, as it will allow the case to proceed efficiently with the remaining parties while preserving SWORD's potential right to refile its claims in the future should it secure representation.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Nan Zhong respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order dropping Plaintiff SWORD from this action without prejudice.

Dated: May 15, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Nan Zhong

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